

Arizona Medical Board

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Judith Berman 4201 North 24th St., Suite 140 Phoenix, AZ 85016

RE:

Mark A. Wellek, M.D. Case# MD-10-1280A

Dear Ms. Berman:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that during the course of the February 9, 2011 public meeting, the Arizona Medical Board (Board) reviewed the above-referenced complaint and all pertinent evidence and information gathered during the investigation. At the conclusion of its review, the Board voted to issue Dr. Wellek this Advisory Letter for prescribing Klonopin in increasing doses without adequate monitoring, and for failing to refer an out of state patient to a local psychiatrist.

An advisory letter is a non-disciplinary action, and is not subject to review by either the Board or the Courts. See *Murphy v. Board of Medical Examiners of the State of Arizona*, 190 Ariz. 441, 949 P.2d 530 (App. 1997). However, the licensee may file a written response to the letter with the Board within thirty days after its receipt A.R.S. § 32-1451(E)(3). Please be aware that Board staff will only post a narrative response by the licensee or the licensee's legal representative on the Board's website. Accordingly, please do not include medical records or third party opinions as part of your response. Also, please remember that your client is responsible for maintaining the confidentiality of the patient's identity. Finally, Board staff requests that the response not disclose the name of the medical consultant who reviewed the case or the name of any other healthcare provider associated with the matter in question.

If timely received, the response will be attached to the advisory letter and maintained in the licensee's permanent file. The written response will also be hyperlinked to the licensee's profile on the agency's website.

Sincerely.

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BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

In the Matter of

MARK A. WELLEK, M.D.

Holder of License No. 6416 For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine In the State of Arizona. Case No. MD- 10-1280A
ORDER FOR CONTINUING MEDICAL
EDUCATION

(NON-DISCIPLINARY)

At its public meeting on February 9, 2011, the Arizona Medical Board ("Board") voted to issue Mark A. Wellek, M.D. ("Physician") a non-disciplinary Continuing Medical Education (CME) Order for inadequate medical records in violation of A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(e). The Board ordered Physician to complete the PACE medical recordkeeping course within six months pursuant to A.R.S. §32-1451(E)(2). The CME hours shall be in addition to the hours required for the biennial renewal of medical licensure. This matter does not rise to the level of discipline.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Physician shall, within six months, complete the PACE medical recordkeeping course, and provide Board Staff with satisfactory proof of attendance. The CME hours shall be in addition to the hours required for biennial renewal of his medical license. Respondent's failure to complete the CME will subject him to future disciplinary action by the Board. A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(r).

RIGHT TO APPEAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.03, any person aggrieved by this decision may apply to the Board, in writing, within thirty (30) days of receipt and request a public hearing with respect to this order. You may request a hearing by filing a notice of appeal. The notice of appeal must be filed with the Board's Executive Director, and should include your name, address, the action being appealed, and a concise statement of the reasons for the appeal. If you

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request a public hearing, the hearing will be scheduled within sixty (60) days of receipt of your request. If you request a public hearing, you also have the right to request an informal settlement conference by filing a written request with the Board, pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.06, no later than twenty (20) days before the scheduled hearing. The conference will be held within fifteen (15) days after receipt of your request. Please note that you waive any right to object to the participation of the Board's representative in the final administrative decision of the matter if it is not settled at the conference.

DATED this to day of Filmens

ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD



LISA S. WYNN **Executive Director**

ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed this day of February, 2011 with:

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EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing Mailed by US Mail this day of February, 2011 to:

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